

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Gov. Stanley is 48 years old.

Urey Woodson landed on his feet in that National Committee place.

The Germans, Austrians and Bulgarians are trying to decide what they will do with Serbia.

Gov. Stanley had a nice "dry" day for the inauguration with not a cloud in the blue December sky.

Jeff D. McCarr, U. S. attorney for the district of Hawaii, has resigned and will return to his former home at Nashville, Tenn.

Brand Whitlock, U. S. Minister, when he returns will go to Havre, where the Belgian government now is located, and not to Brussels.

The worst snub we've had lately was in not being invited to go with the Ford peace party. But it is all right—we couldn't have gone anyway.

Great Britain has reiterated the statement that tobacco is no longer contraband and may be shipped at will to neutral ports, even when intended for belligerent countries.

At the very hour when Gov. Stanley was being inaugurated, parts of Kentucky were shaken by an earthquake. The real shake-up will be in Frankfort within the next thirty days.

Gov. L. B. Hanna, of North Dakota, is with the Ford party and sent a wireless message to Secretary Lansing asking him to provide passports to belligerent countries for the tourists.

Ambassador von Bernstorff on Monday called on the state department and asked to be informed why Capt. Boy-Ed had been canned? It is stated that the information was conveyed that we were tired of him and among other things objected to the way his name was spelled.

The report that Anton Lang, the famous Christus in the passion play at Oberammergau, had been killed at the front is untrue. A representative of the associated press at Berlin says he talked with Herr Lang, who said he was well and happy and that he had never been to the front.

GROWING SOME

Costs Money to Run The U. S. Government.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Estimates for the most elaborate program of expenditures ever asked of an American Congress in times of peace were submitted proposing a total outlay of \$1,285,857,808 or \$170,853,614 more than was appropriated last year. The great increase is almost wholly due to the administration plans for military preparedness. More than \$116,000,000 of the total is for direct expenditures of the army and navy, with millions more to be used in coast defense and other fortification work. By establishments the amount asked were:

Legislative.....	\$ 7,573,327
Executive.....	30,807,505
Judicial.....	1,368,500
Agriculture.....	24,159,089
Foreign Intercourse.....	5,426,699
Military.....	152,354,259
Naval.....	211,518,074
Indian Affairs.....	10,175,086
Pensions.....	160,565,000
Panama Canal.....	26,535,463
Public Works.....	104,644,689
Postal Service.....	316,354,379
Miscellaneous.....	98,290,563
Postmaster's Approp.	135,074,673

The Postal Service estimate is deductible from the total because its receipts are turned back to the treasury. That leaves \$969,492,929 as the actual total of appropriations Congress is asked to make, or \$167,853,401 more than last year.

Chile is building 208 miles of railroad.

ST. LOUIS GETS CONVENTION

Democrats Will Meet There June 14 to Renominate Wilson.

COMMITTEE ENDORSES PRES.

Kentucky Contest Settled By Seating Urey Woodson Until End of Term.

Washington, D. C. 8.—The democratic national convention of 1916 will be held at St. Louis, beginning Wednesday, June 14, at noon. The democratic national committee last night named the convention city and adopted resolutions calling for the renomination and re-election of Woodrow Wilson as "the trusted leader of national democracy."

Chicago and Dallas contested with St. Louis for the honor of the convention, but St. Louis easily led from the start and won on the second ballot.

It has been necessary heretofore for national conventions to begin work on Tuesday. The fact that Tuesday fell on the 13th next year may or may not have had something to do with the determination of the democratic committee to begin the proceedings a day later. The official explanation, however, was to the effect that the convention would not require more than three or four days to complete its work, and it would not be too late in the week to start on Wednesday.

The committee was confronted by two contests which threatened for a time to cause some feeling, but they were settled in a comparatively short time and the atmosphere seemingly was cleared. Urey Woodson of Kentucky was seated in his contest with General W. B. Haldeman of Louisville, and Will R. King was seated from Oregon in a contest with W. H. Easterly.

A part of the day was taken up in hearing the cause of woman suffrage discussed by representatives of suffragist organizations and by a body of women in opposition. The committee applauded all the speakers, but there was no effort to place the members on record. Several hundred women crowded into the committee room to cheer their spokesman.

In seating Urey Woodson as member from Kentucky, the committee held that when he was selected by the Kentucky state central committee to succeed the late John C. C. Mayo, Woodson was chosen to fill the entire unexpired term. The selection of Gen. Haldeman by the Kentucky state convention as a member of the committee, which took place after the Woodson election, was not regular, it was held. A report to this effect was drawn up by a subcommittee consisting of Norman E. Mack of New York, Edwin O. Wood of Michigan and John T. McGraw of West Virginia, and adopted unanimously by the meeting. The subcommittee also found that General Haldeman had acted in good faith in contesting the seat.

THE BETHEL STAR.

The Bethel Star is the name of a monthly paper published by the students of Bethel Female College, the first number of which is just out. It is edited by the young ladies and is filled with interesting articles pertaining to the school, together with stories, reports and a humorous department. The paper is very creditable in every way. The subscription price is 50 cents a year.

Woman Dies Laughing.

Bowling Green, Ky., Dec. 6.—While Mrs. Dick Brooks was laughing and sewing on a machine at the home of Mrs. R. A. Davis in Smith's Grove, this county, on Saturday, she suddenly expired of heart trouble. A husband, five daughters and two sons survive.

FISCAL COURT DOES ITS PART

Appropriates \$200 For Employing a Lady Agent For The Work.

MRS. GRAVES IS IN CHARGE

Poultry Improvement Club Holds Rousing Meeting Monday Night.

The adjourned meeting of the Christian County Poultry Improvement Association Monday night was a rousing one and enthusiasm ran high. A dozen or more new members were present and the plans of the organization committee were enthusiastically approved.

State Agents Geoffrey Morgan and Gordon Nelson were present and Mr. Morgan was much pleased with the steps taken and said he expected great things from the organization.

Speeches were made by Geoffrey Morgan, A. M. Casey, B. G. Nelson, Dr. C. H. Tandy, Dr. J. P. Keith, T. J. Baugh, B. D. Hill, J. F. Mason and Hon. M. O. Hughes, of Bowling Green. Norman Mellon brought a trio of his white Wyandottes and they were placed on a table and their good points explained by Mr. Morgan. Many people dropped in during the proceedings to admire the beautiful fowls.

Mr. Casey was directed to notify the agricultural department that at least 100 settings of eggs would be needed.

It was explained that the poultry clubs would be organized only in counties having a lady agent, as the county agents would be kept busy on other matters. Mrs. Graves, the lady agent, is employed for only a part of her time, the fiscal court paying \$200, the school board \$50 and the government \$250 of her salary of \$500 for the canning club work. With these amounts doubled she could be employed all of her time and begin at once the poultry club work in advance of the coming season. A committee composed of Chas. M. Meacham, B. D. Hill, Dr. J. P. Keith, and Dr. C. H. Tandy was appointed to go before the Fiscal court the next day and ask for the appropriation of \$200. After an interesting speech by Mr. Hughes, who complimented the spirit of cooperation in this county between city and county, which he said was appreciated all over the state, the meeting adjourned.

Fiscal Court.

The Fiscal court met Tuesday and gave the first hearing to the poultry matter.

Judge W. T. Fowler first introduced Mrs. Graves who gave an interesting report of her canning club work for 1914 and 1915.

For 1915 there were 12 clubs with 70 members and 36,000 pounds of tomatoes had been canned worth \$600. The average cost of raising one-tenth of an acre was \$2.16. Mrs. Graves said she had attended 115 meetings and traveled nearly 1,100 miles in the work.

Geoffrey Morgan then spoke and explained that Mrs. Graves could look after the poultry club work and that Christian would be one of four or five counties with a lady agent all of her time and that her time and that her employment would entitle the county to extra supervision of experts. He said his ambition was to see two county agents in Christian county, one north and one south; a lady agent all of her time and a Negro agent for the colored people.

Chas. M. Meacham and B. D. Hill then explained the poultry work and asked for \$200 to be appropriated. Prof. L. E. Foster said the school board would pay \$50 more.

At the afternoon session the fiscal court passed the appropriation increasing the amount from \$200 to \$400. Mrs. Graves will by this arrangement be employed for all of her time for \$1000 a year.

Sweden is reviving copper mining.

NOT A HITCH OF ANY KIND

Gov. Stanley Inducted Into Office With 30,000 People Present.

GREAT INAUGURAL ADDRESS

Frankfort Says All Previous Records Were Surpassed.

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 8.—With impressive ceremonies witnessed by a multitude of 30,000, former Congressman Augustus Owsley Stanley of Henderson Tuesday was inaugurated fortieth governor of the state of Kentucky. A spontaneous outburst of applause followed the booming of cannon that announced Mr. Stanley had taken the oath as the commonwealth's chief magistrate at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Of the great throng gathered on capitol hill, only a few thousand were close enough to see Mr. Stanley take the oath.

Residents of Frankfort said the crowd on hand for the ceremonies was the largest ever attending any inauguration, while railroad and traction line officials joined in the declaration that 20,000 non resident visitors were present for the occasion. Weather conditions were ideal.

In accepting the oath of office, Mr. Stanley delivered a most remarkable address. He assured all those within the sound of his voice he would perform to the best of his ability the duties devolving upon him. He promised to safeguard the people's treasury, to abolish every unnecessary job within his gift, and to show no mercy to lobbyists and corruptionists who may seek to operate during the legislative sessions.

The parade preceding the inauguration was one of the most impressive spectacles ever seen on the streets of Frankfort.

At night the inaugural ball held at the capitol hotel was a brilliant event.

Lieut. Gov. Jas. D. Black was also sworn into office.

The other state officers will enter upon their terms the first Monday in January.

TRAIN LOAD OF ORANGES

First Shipment From Florida Passes Through Hopkinsville.

The first train load of Florida oranges passed through Hopkinsville Tuesday en route to St. Louis and Chicago. The shipment consisted of eighteen refrigerator cars. The late movement of oranges from Florida is due to the fact that it is unlawful to ship fruit grown in Florida that has not been ripened on the trees. The Florida crop this year is estimated at 5,000,000 boxes.

NEW FIRM

Walter Radford and George Lackey Will Remain Together.

Circuit Court Clerk Walter A. Radford and his efficient deputy, Geo. E. Lackey, who will retire from office Jan. 3, have arranged to open an insurance agency in the rooms over the entrance to the Planters Bank. They will have a full line of companies, life, fire and bonding. The wide acquaintance and personal popularity of these gentlemen will insure them a big patronage from the start. Success undoubtedly awaits them.

A factory in the Azores will manufacture alcohol from sweet potatoes.

FIGHTING IN FIVE PLACES

Turks Soon to Begin an Attack on The Retreating British Army.

IMPORTANT INVENTS NEAR

Greek Attitude Continues to Complicate Situation For The Allies.

London, Dec. 8.—Important battles have begun or are impending in Mesopotamia, where the German field marshal, Baroff von der Goltz, has taken command of the Turkish forces and is about to attack the British at Kut-el-Amara; in south-eastern Serbia, where the Bulgarians have already attacked the Anglo-French positions and have been repulsed; on Gallipoli, where, according to Turkish accounts, the allies have taken the offensive, and in Belgium and France, where reports from Holland state, the Germans have concentrated strong reinforcements and an immense amount of artillery with the object of striking a blow at the allied lines in Flanders and Artois.

Except in Serbia, the battles have not developed beyond the preliminary stage, so far as is known, the artillery alone of the different arms being active. Along the Vardar-Cerna-Karasu front in Serbia the Bulgarians have already commenced their attack against the Anglo-French and it is reported that the German army of General von Gallwitz has been reorganized and reinforced and is marching south to take part in the operations.

The Germans evidently intend to strike hard before the allies, who continue to land troops at Saloniki, have completed their preparations.

TWO MEN INJURED

In Freight Wreck on Tennessee Central, near Clarksville.

Clarksville, Tenn., Dec. 7.—In a serious freight train wreck about ten miles east of Clarksville at 4:50 o'clock this afternoon, Fireman H. L. Beasley was badly injured about the leg and arm and brakeman Smith sustained lesser bruises. The train was No. 31 east bound.

Fireman Beasley was brought to Nashville at 11:45 o'clock and was taken to Burch's infirmary, where his right arm was amputated below the elbow. It is not known how seriously he is hurt.

Not All Good Ones.

State Hotel Inspector Lucas Reed, Dec. 1, completed and turned over to Governor McCreary his official report on the inspection of 1,400 hotels in Kentucky, made by himself and his deputy, Lyne Herndon, since June, 1914, which shows that at least 300 hotels and restaurants throughout the State have been found in such an unsanitary condition that written orders were made for their improvement.

Robbed and Shot.

Henderson, Ky., Dec. 8.—Alvey Denton, a farmer, 30 years old living about three miles from here on the Spottsville road, was shot in the right shoulder last evening about 5:30 o'clock after being held up and robbed by a negro and a white man.

Lyceum Number.

Miss Estelle Gray, violinist and Moritz Lhevinne, pianist, appeared in the second number of the Lyceum course Tuesday night after church at the Tabernacle. The program lasted an hour and was enjoyed by music lovers.

Lost a Mare.

Mr. Will Steger, of near Masonville, lost a fine black mare of acute indigestion, yesterday morning.

PAN AMERCAS FOR DEFENSE

Union Urged by the President in His Message to Congress.

HEMISPHERE STAND SOLID

Foreign Representatives Show Keen Interest in Executive's Definition of Policy.

Washington, Dec. 8.—President Wilson, in his annual address to congress, dealing mainly with national defense, proclaimed and advanced pan-Americanism grown from the guardianship of the Monroe doctrine to "the full and honorable association" of all the Americas.

Although in the longest address he has yet delivered to congress, the President touched upon a variety of subjects, the predominating note was the necessity of a policy of military preparedness to meet the readjustment of the next generation as they will affect the American continent. He emphasized this point.

The point was not overshadowed when the President, in the most unmeasured terms he ever has employed before congress, denounced naturalized Americans who, by their sympathies for the European belligerents, have endangered American neutrality. While congress cheered him loudly he referred to them as having "poured the poison of disloyalty into the very arteries of our national life," and as those who "would turn in malign reaction against the government and the people who had welcomed and nurtured them."

With evidences of deep feeling the President expressed "the even deeper humiliation and scorn which every self-possessed and thoughtful patriotic American must feel when he thinks of them and of the discredit they are daily bringing upon us."

While the President's outline of the administration plan for the army and navy passed without a ripple of applause, and his reference to pan-Americanism were only punctuated with evidences of approval, republicans and democrats alike joined in an emphatic demonstration at his words of condemnation for those he assailed so unreservedly.

LEWIS WINS SEC. OF STATE FIGHT

Injunction Obtained by Hamlett Is Dissolved by Judge Stout. —Contest Only Recourse.

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 8.—Judge Stout of the Franklin circuit court Monday dissolved the temporary restraining order granted Barksdale Hamlett, democratic candidate for secretary of state, enjoining the state board of election commissioners from canvassing the returns in the November election and issuing a certificate.

According to the board's count, J. P. Lewis, republican aspirant for the same office, had a plurality of 115. The board may now proceed with the canvass and issue the certificate, leaving Hamlett the opportunity of a contest. In that event Mr. Lewis would hold the office until the contest is settled. Opinion is divided as to whether Mr. Hamlett will contest.

Salvation Army Kettles.

The Salvation Army will have kettles on the streets again this year to raise a Christmas fund for the children. Envoys Vatter hopes to raise enough to get some substantial supplies for the poor children, who need clothing more than toys.

Boy Killed.

Frank Button, 14, accidentally shot and killed Henry Tipton, 12, while hunting rabbits at Smith's Grove Sunday.